

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

The title of the specification has been amended.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-34 are now pending in this application.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112

Claims 26-34 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. In particular, the Office argued that the specification does not disclose “a simulation’ of a virtual member in front of the host vehicle.” See Office Action at page 2.

Claims 26 and 32 have been amended to overcome this rejection. Support for the limitations of claims 26 and 32 can be found in Applicants’ disclosure. For example, Applicants’ disclosure provides support for the limitation “a processor that is adapted to calculate a counterforce of a virtual member in front of the host vehicle” on page 12, line 27, to page 13, line 20, of the specification and in Figures 13A, 13B, 14, and 19. Claims 27-31 and 34 depend upon claim 26 and claim 33 depends upon claim 32. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-25 have been allowed.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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